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For: AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL
WATER DISPERSIBLE GRANULE

Examiner: H. M. Chui

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
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Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated January 21, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix A** including a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 is attached hereto.